

REMARKS

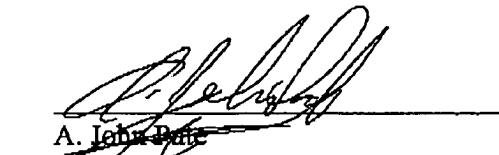
By this amendment, claims 1-20 have been cancelled and claims 21-40 have been added.

Claims 21-40 are believed to be in condition for immediate allowance. Favorable consideration of the application is respectfully requested.

In the event that the examiner finds any impediment to the prompt allowance of any of these claims, which could be clarified in a telephone conference, the examiner is respectfully urged to initiate the same with the undersigned.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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